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# Sixteenth Annual Report

OF THE

## MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

OF THE

# TOWN OF MECHANIC FALLS,

AND THE REPORT OF THE

## Superintendent of Schools,

For the Fiscal Year Ending February 28th, 1909.

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# TOWN OFFICERS.

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Clerk and Treasurer.

C. M. HUTCHINS.

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor.

FRANK A. MILLETT, FRED H. WATERHOUSE,  
ERNEST F. SMITH.

Collector,

F. EDWIN DWINAL.

Superintendent of Schools,

J. M. LIBBY.

School Committee,

F. L. WATERMAN, J. W. WAYNE, A. H. BRIGGS.

Trustees Public Library.

W. E. HANSCOM, C. B. RANKIN, J. M. LIBBY.

Librarian,

KATE L. DENISON.

Board of Health,

C. B. RANKIN, A. V. HATHAWAY, LEROY SPILLER.

Auditor,

ELMER Z. LANE.

Town Physician,

GUY H. HUTCHINS.

Chief Engineer,

E. E. JORDAN.

1st Assistant Engineer,

H. L. JEWETT.

2d Assistant Engineer.

M. A. JORDAN.

Road Commissioner,

ISAAC H. JUDKINS.

Constables,

F. EDWIN DWINAL, F. J. FARRIS, GEO. F. MILLETT.

Truant Officers,

H. N. WHITTLE FRANCIS MAINS.



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# Report of Selectmen.

*To the inhabitants of the town of Mechanic Falls;*

By your suffrages at the annual meeting on March 23, 1908, we were elected to represent you in transacting the business for the fiscal year ending Feb. 27, 1909, or until our successors were chosen. We were deeply impressed with the importance of the trust you conferred upon us and have always been mindful of our duty while acting as your representatives.

We herewith submit a detailed statement of the various departments that have called for the expenditure of money and trust that our stewardship has been such that our acts will merit your approval.

## Assessors' Report.

Valuation of property and number of polls as enumerated April 1st, 1908;

Real estate, resident owners,	\$417,395 00
“ “ non-resident owners,	313,290 00
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Total real estate,	\$730,685 00
Personal estate, resident,	\$62,023 00
“ “ non-resident,	18,536 00
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Total personal estate,	\$80,559 00
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Total real and personal property,	\$811,244 00
Rate of taxation, \$23 00 on \$1,000.	
Poll tax, \$3 00.	
Number of polls taxed, 393.	
Number of polls not taxed, 98.	

# Assessments.

For State tax,	\$2,587 60
County tax,	981 02
Common schools,	2,400 00
Free high schools,	850 00
Highways and bridges,	2,000 00
Support of poor,	1,500 00
Officers salaries,	700 00
Sinking fund,	700 00
Payment of interest,	600 00
Observance of Memorial Day,	50 00
Lighting streets,	1,640 04
Hydrant rental,	1,680 00
Fire department,	600 00
Public library,	200 00
Abatements and commissions,	600 00
Text books,	50 00
Apparatus and furnishings,	200 00
Repair of school houses,	300 00
Graduating exercises high school,	25 00
State roads,	143 50
Snow roller.	100 00
Deficiency in abatements and commissions,	521 70
“ “ School incidentals,	42 96
“ “ Street lighting,	805 00
“ “ Lewiston street fill,	528 31
Overlay,	33 00
Total assessment,	<hr/> \$19,838 13

This assessment is the largest in the history of the town and is increased \$1,897 97 by deficiencies noted above which accrued in former years. The tax rate is necessarily high being \$23 00 on \$1,000. Assessors are obliged to make assessments to provide for the appropriations. Your remedy for excessive taxation is judicious consideration of each appropriation at the annual meeting. It gives us pleasure to report an economical expenditure of your money and we respectfully refer to the table showing the status of each appropriation.

### ASSESSORS REPORT AS MADE TO STATE ASSESSORS.

Live Stock.	No.	Av. Value.	Total Value.
Horses and mules,	204	\$74,31	\$15,260
Colts, three to four,	4	63 25	253
Colts, two to three,	9	63 89	575
Colts under two,	4	62 50	250
Cows,	195	23 39	4,562
Oxen,	13	70 77	920
Three-year-olds,	41	18 95	777
Two-year-olds,	35	13 17	461
One-year-olds,	46	8 65	398
Sheep,	33	2 94	97
Swine,	74	6 63	491
Total.			<hr/> \$24,044

#### Personal property other kinds:

Bank stock,	9	\$ 650
Money at interest,		1,100
Stock in trade,		29,605
Logs and lumber,		2,700
Wood and bark,		1,205



Carriages,	24	1,055
Automobiles,	3	1,400
Musical instruments	65	7,700
Finished product in mills,		6,500
Materials in stock,		2,000
Machinery,		2,600
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Total,		\$56,515
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Total amount of personal property,		\$80,559
Railroad property,	\$14,650 00	
Water Company,	900 00	
Electric Light,	15,000 00	
Paper Mills,	180,000 00	
Town property other than school buildings,	\$5,300 00	
Net Town Debt, Feb. 28, 1908,	5,714 73	

## Report of Overseers of the Poor.

Unexpended 1908.	\$ 116 57
Appropriation,	1,500 00
From State acct. J. O. Byron,	63 25
“ “ “ Amanda Boughton,	20 90
“ Estate of Mary Lufkin,	141 03
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	\$1,841 75

### MELINTHA THAYER.

Paid Geo. D. Bridgham,	\$ 18 22
Mary A. Cobb,	27 00
S. L. Hawley,	1 44
M. H. T. Merrill,	3 90
F. H. Waterhouse, moving to Rumford,	4 85

Rose L. Harmon,	183 80	
F. A. Golderman,	1 50	
O. A. Martin,	2 16	
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		\$242 87

J. Z. WATERMAN.

Paid Helen E. Hawkes,	\$40 07	
T. J. Judkins,	5 50	
Mrs. Bell Moore,	80 00	
A. W. Currier, care,	2 00	
W. G. Pulsifer,	1 20	
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		\$128 77

WM. WOODSUM.

Paid David Woodsum,	20 00	
S. C. Spiller, care,	33 00	
A. W. Currier, care,	2 00	
Leroy Spiller,	35 25	
W. G. Pulsifer,	6 45	
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		\$96 70

S. S. KNIGHT.

Paid Dennet and Mary W. Cotton,	\$153 00	
S. L. Hawley,	32	
W. H. Cushman,	7 60	
F. A. Golderman,	2 00	
Hawkes & Whitney,	75	
W. G. Pulsifer,	4 90	
Merrill & Denning,	45	
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		\$169 02



ALFRED WATERHOUSE.

Paid Alta E. Files, board,	\$120 00
" " " supplies,	1 15
F. A. Golderman,	2 00
W. H. Cushman,	1 50
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	\$124 65

EMMA FOSTER.

Paid Virgin Bros.,	\$ 17 47
Merrill & Denning,	40
O. A. Martin,	1 14
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	\$19 01

HARRIETT BANCROFT.

Paid Burns & Waterhouse,	\$ 3 50
A. V. Hathaway,	6 50
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	\$10 00

LAMONT C. YORK.

Paid Alice E. Edwards,	\$75 00
Bertha M. Keene,	37 50
W. H. Cushman,	20 25
Merrill & Denning,	4 08
F. A. Golderman,	3 50
W. G. Pulsifer,	1 10
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	\$141 43

BLANCHE WOODSUM.

Paid City of Auburn,	\$61 50
" " "	3 88
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	\$65 38

J. L. TORIE.

Paid Merrill & Denning.	\$1 33
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S. N. HOLT.

Paid T. S. Blake, rent,	\$ 7 00	
Yarmouth Fuel & Lumber Co.,	7 50	
Town of Yarmouth, fuel and rent,	21 50	
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		\$36 00

E. W. RECORD.

Paid F. E. Mayberry, care,	\$8 97
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HARRY ROGERS.

Paid A. A. Woodsum,	\$71 00
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R. W. HERRICK.

Paid Merrill & Denning,	\$ 15	
Lila M. Herrick,	45 00	
F. A. Golderman,	2 10	
A. J. Richardson,	1 05	
Winfield Churchill, care,	50 00	
W. G. Pulsifer,	7 00	
Burns & Waterhouse,	4 50	
A. V. Hathaway,	5 00	
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		\$114 80

Paid Insane Hospital, expense of patient,	65 72
E. K. Holbrook, expense to Augusta,	8 29
C. B. Rankin, examination and hearing,	5 00
C. H. Tobie, " "	5 00
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\$84 01

NOTE—Arrangements have been made for the payment of the above amount, which is deemed satisfactory to the overseers of the poor.

HATTIE SPILLER.

Paid City of Portland,	\$153 87
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J. B. RAND.

Paid Insane Hospital,	\$161 03
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F. H. IRELAND.

Paid W. G. Pulsifer,	\$1 85
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F. A. Golderman,	3 85
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C. B. Cummings & Sons,	5 71
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F. I. Dwinal,	6 50
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Burns & Waterhouse,	3 75
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S. L. Hawley,	30
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G. W. Coffin & Co.,	2 21
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L. & H. L. Cook,	3 05
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Hawkes & Whitney,	1 95
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J. B. Barnett & Co.,	1 55
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A. V. Hathaway,	2 50
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\$33 22

ARTHUR HOLT.

Paid A. J. Richardson,	\$1 28
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J. B. Barnett & Co.,	4 00
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A. V. Hathaway,	1 63
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\$6 91

J. S. FISH.

Paid E. A. Libby,	\$11 00
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TRAMPS.

Paid F. J. Farris,	\$ 6 50
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F. H. Waterhouse,	25
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F. P. Wyman,	29 35
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\$36 10



TOWN WOOD ACCOUNT.

Paid F. H. Waterhouse, fitting and delivering,	\$10 92
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Total expense for the year,	\$1,764 21
Unexpended,	77 54
Wood, March 1, 1808, value,	\$48 12
Delivered to various poor,	48 12

Poor of Other Towns.

Mar. 1, 1908, Due from Rumford,	\$181 55
Oxford,	7 00
Raymond,	23 19
East Machias,	64 80
Auburn,	4 50
Biddeford,	17 61
Otisfield,	104 05
Poland,	3 03
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	\$405 73

*EXPENDED DURING THE YEAR.*

Rumford, J. K. P. Simpson,	\$ 9 84
Mrs. J. K. P. Simpson,	12 00
Mrs. L. D. Simpson,	5 75
East Machias, Geo. W. Larrabee,	104 03
Otisfield, Charles Scribner,	4 50
Leeds, David Taylor,	1 15
Poland, L. J. Walker,	3 36
Auburn, Edith M. Hughes,	44 39
" J. N. Strout,	21 50
Raymond, W. H. and Alice E. Edwards,	107 26

King Small,	63 67
Paris, J. A. Hooper,	70 11
Biddeford, M. L. Emery,	51 93

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\$499 49

### *RECEIVED DURING THE YEAR.*

From Rumford,	\$203 39
Raymond,	183 45
East Machias,	153 83
“ “ Discount to settle.	15 00
Auburn,	7 75
Biddeford,	17 61
Otisfield,	108 55
Poland,	6 39
Leeds,	1 15

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\$697 12

Balance due from other towns, 208 10

In the management of the poor department it has been our aim to provide for the unfortunate of our town as judiciously as possible and minister to their necessities as humanely as the appropriation would permit. If one had the wisdom of Solomon, propositions would present themselves in this department which would be difficult of solution. We have attended to the business of this department with consideration guided by a spirit of fair dealing for those who have partaken and those who have furnished the bounty.

We made a saving of over \$100.00 in the case of Melintha Thayer by boarding instead of allowing her to keep house as has been the custom. We think a further reduction might be made by reducing the price of board.

It will be noticed by the report that we have quite a number of regular patrons of the town's bounty and it will be profitable to consider some proposition to keep the expense of this class of one half dozen persons within bounds. The cost ranges from \$124.65 to \$242.87 yearly. We have no doubt that we would loose quite a percentage of the poor if the town had an almshouse where the poor could be provided for.

We paid nearly \$100.00 for pauper bills which had accumulated in former years. We are pleased to report no large amounts outstanding for the year ending Feb. 27, 1909.

## State Road.

Amounts available from different sources :

From appropriation,	\$143 50
Highway account,	287 00
State,	430 50
Old state road account,	133 95
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	\$994 95

## DISBURSEMENTS.

F. H. Waterhouse, paid freight,	\$ 2 35
New England Metal Culvert Co., pipe,	60 00
E. H. Purington, labor,	54 75
E. A. Faunce, labor and supplies,	82 00
S. C. Spiller, labor,	49 50
W. W. Tilton, labor,	40 50
L. E. Faunce, self and team,	148 00
Chas. Knight, labor,	6 00
David Woodsum, labor,	36 75
R. B. Bancroft, labor,	49 50



Joseph Gould, labor,	36 00
S. F. Grant, labor,	44 25
K. F. Purington, labor,	5 00
C. O. Russell, labor,	30 00
B. R. Strout, labor,	24 00
E. F. Smith, paid freight,	1 00
Geo. B. Bearce & Son, posts,	13 00
Hawkes & Whitney, fence and hardware,	21 90
D. F. Bray, self and team,	70 00
Geo. F. Millett, labor and team,	1 85
R. A. Swift, engineering,	4 50
J. L. Lunt, self and team,	2 00
E. L. Charles, dynamite furnished,	2 93
C. B. Cummings & Sons, cement furnished	1 10
E. A. Faunce, hardware,	77
C. H. Trundy, material for covering,	24 50
J. W. Story, labor repairs,	12 92
F. A. Millett, use of derrick,	16 50
Poland Paper Co., Perley B. Faunce driver,	144 00
Pipe from highway,	9 38

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\$994 95

The selectmen deemed it advisable to change the location of the state road and a commission was created, consisting of Paul D. Sargent, State Road Commissioner, Charles R. Hall, a commissioner from Franklin County, and Frank A. Millett, chairman of our board of selectmen, and it was decided that the state road be changed from the Norway road to the road leading to the town of Poland. Accordingly the road was built from the residence of N. D. Haskell to a point beyond the residence of E. K. Holbrook, a total length of 1300 feet, with a finished width of 23 feet. In conformity with the state road law, the sides of the road are obliged to be cleaned, which was

done for 700 feet at a cost of \$185.50. The road is "V" drain or stone base, 12 feet wide and two feet in depth with a covering of ten inches of the best gravel obtainable.

There were 38 1-2 days labor by foreman at \$2.00, \$ 77 00

There were 251 days labor at \$1.50, 376 50

There were 91 days labor by team and driver at \$4.00, 364 00

which goes to make up the the total cost of \$994.95.

The work was performed under the supervision of the selectmen, with E. A. Fannce foreman. The selectmen are constrained to speak in commendation of the executive ability of the foreman, E. A. Faunce, who had charge of this work, and also give unstinted praise to the men whose names appear as laborers for their zeal in building, as we believe, the finest state road in Maine.

## Officers' Salaries.

Unexpended,	\$ 63 00
Appropriation,	700 00
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	\$763 00

## *EXPENDITURES.*

W. H. Cushman, moderator,	\$ 5 00
C. M. Hutchins, clerk,	2 00
F. A. Millett, selectman,	105 00
F. H. Waterhouse, selectman,	105 00
E. F. Smith, selectman,	105 00
C. M. Hutchins, treasurer,	75 00
E. Z. Lane, auditor,	15 00
J. M. Libby, superintendent of schools,	100 00
Leroy Spiller, board of health,	15 00



A. V. Hathaway, board of health,	10 00	
C. B. Rankin, board of health,	10 00	
H. N. Whittle, truant officer,	5 00	
Francis Mains, truant officer,	5 00	
C. B. Rankin, town physician, balance 1908,	10 00	
G. H. Hutchins, town physician,	29 00	
E. A. Faunce, constable July 4th,	4 00	
G. F. Millett, constable July 4th,	4 00	
F. J. Farris, constable July 4th,	4 00	
L. G. Tracy, constable July 4th,	4 00	
J. A. Crooker, constable July 4th,	4 00	
D. M. Rand, constable July 4th,	2 00	
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		\$618 00
Unexpended,		\$145 00

## Memorial Day.

Appropriation,	\$50 00
Paid A. A. Dwinal Post, No. 3, G. A. R.,	50 00

## Hydrant Rental.

Appropriation,	\$1,680 00
Paid Mechanic Falls Water Co.,	1,680 00

## Street Lights.

Appropriation for deficiency,	\$805 00
Appropriation,	1,640 04
Overdrawn,	4 94
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	\$2,449 98



### *EXPENDITURES.*

Overdrawn 1907,	\$ 805 00	
Paid Mechanic Falls Electric Light Co.,	1,644 98	
	<hr/>	\$2,449 98

### Graduation High School.

Appropriation,	\$25 00
Paid Chas. Rounds,	25 00

### State and County Tax.

State tax assessment,	\$2,587 60	
County tax assessment,	981 02	
	<hr/>	\$3,568 62

### *EXPENDITURES.*

Paid state treasurer,	\$2,587 60	
Paid county treasurer,	981 02	
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### Fire Department.

Appropriation,	\$600 00
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### *EXPENDITURES.*

Overdraft, 1907,	\$ 1 06
J. W. Penney & Sons Co., supplies,	200 05

Mechanic Falls Electric Light Co., lights,	7 00
J. F. Sawyer & Son, labor,	1 75
F. H. Ireland, labor,	1 00
Frank P. Wyman, labor,	9 00
P. H. Keene, Sec., fires and practice,	146 60
P. G. Hayford, Sec., fires and practice,	84 70
E. Z. Lane, labor,	2 95
E. E. Jordan, salary and supplies,	28 35
H. L. Jewett, salary,	15 00
M. A. Jordan, salary,	15 00
Merrill & Denning, chemicals,	2 80
Hawkes & Whitney, supplies,	5 40
W. R. Harris, labor	6 00
F. I. Dwinal, oil,	60
A. J. Weston, coal,	23 37
Balance unexpended,	49 37

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\$600 00

## In Trust.

Fund for benefit of John B. Rand.

Deposit in Androscoggin County Savings bank,

Book No. 18957,

\$65 99

And interest since November, 1908.

## Sinking Fund.

Appropriation,

\$700 00

Dec. 19, 1908, deposit in sinking fund,

700 00

Amount in sinking fund March 1, 1908,	\$2,423 71
Deposit Dec. 19, 1908,	700 00
Accrued interest,	103 19
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Total amount in sinking fund,	\$3,226 90

## High School.

Appropriation,	\$850 00
From state,	125 00
[Due from state \$125.00]	
Deficiency, 1908,	200 40
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	\$1,175 40

### EXPENDITURES.

Deficiency, 1907,	\$ 75 02
Perley E. Graffam,	320 83
Virabelle Morrison,	154 00
Burton H. Whitman,	416 65
Ethel A. Bradford,	208 90
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	\$1,175 40

## Common Schools.

Unexpended, 1907,	\$ 73 07
Appropriation,	2,400 00
Mill tax,	1,463 32
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	\$3,936 39



## **EXPENDITURES.**

Ruby M. Smith, teaching,	\$154 00
Ethel Howe, teaching,	285 00
Thomas W. Prince, teaching,	140 00
Evis H. Bridge, teaching,	282 00
Sadie E. Bray, teaching,	292 00
Amy J. Perkins, teaching,	98 00
Inez Martin, teaching,	258 00
Lola D. Smith, teaching,	208 00
Edith G. Cross, teaching,	206 00
Jordan & Saunders transportation,	220 00
D. F. Bray, transportation,	323 00
H. N. Whittle, janitor and labor,	154 00
Francis Mains, janitor,	150 00
Francis Mains, fuel,	7 50
S. H. Mann, fuel,	45 00
A. J. Weston, fuel,	180 00
A. D. Thayer, fuel,	45 00
Balance unexpended,	788 89
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	\$3,936 30

## **Furnishings.**

Appropriation,	\$200 00
Unexpended, 1907,	13 97
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	\$213 97

## **EXPENDITURES.**

Poland Paper Co., supplies,	\$ 4 00
Merrill & Denning, supplies,	120 67

Ledger Publishing Co., supplies,	4 25	
C. Withington & Co., supplies,	4 00	
Hawkes & Whitney, supplies,	2 50	
W. G. Pulsifer, supplies,	8 90	
Unexpended,	69 65	
	<hr/>	\$213 97

## Repairs.

Unexpended, 1907,	\$ 95 53	
Appropriation.	300 00	
Overdrawn,	301 46	
	<hr/>	\$696 99

## *EXPENDITURES.*

C. M. Hay Paint Co.,	\$ 7 40
F. M. Davis,	39 00
Mrs. Fernando Foss,	26 50
Francis Mains,	17 25
J. S. Merrill,	2 40
D. L. Mitchell,	85
William Leach,	55 00
H. S. Decker,	7 50
Hawkes & Whitney,	16 50
C. W. Farrington,	3 65
C. W. Austin & Son,	2 25
J. W. Penney & Sons Co.,	181 39
A. J. Weston,	185 75
C. G. Cole,	10 00
Rand & Harvey, fire escape,	100 00
Geo. F. Millett,	4 25

Poland Paper Co,	34 60
E. Z. Lane,	2 70

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\$696 99

## Text Books.

Amount unexpended,	\$256 07
Appropriation.	50 00

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\$306 07

## *EXPENDITURES.*

Geo. B. Files, book,	2 50
J. Q. Adams,	16 00
American Book Co.,	122 10
C. E. Murray & Co.,	5 20
D. C. Heath & Co.,	53 84
Educational Co.,	2 05
Ginn & Co.,	46 03
Unexpended,	58 35

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\$306 07

## Incidentals.

Appropriation for deficiency,	\$42 96
Deficiency, 1908,	46 93

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\$89 89



## *EXPENDITURES.*

Overdrawn, 1907,	\$42 96	
S. L. Hawley,	14 00	
Hawkes & Whitney,	50	
E. A. Hammond,	1 25	
F. H. Ireland,	4 00	
F. J. Farris,	8 00	
Electric Light Co.,	1 54	
Howard & Brown, diplomas,	6 89	
A. H. Briggs, supplies,	2 55	
E. Z. Lane,	30	
J. M. Libby, express paid,	7 90	
	<hr/>	\$89 89

No appropriation was made for the above account at the annual meeting

## Highways.

Appropriation,	\$2,000 00	
Unexpended 1907,	161 44	
Old state road account,	219 62	
Pipe sold,	1 28	
“ used on state road,	9 38	
“ on hand,	43 20	
	<hr/>	\$2,434 92

## EXPENDITURES.

From March 1st to March 23.

E. D. Dudley, prior to Mar. 23, '08,	\$15 00
J. E. Estes, " " " " "	4 88
C. E. Jordan " " " " "	2 00
J. L. Lunt, " " " " "	2 00
J. H. King, " " " " "	2 00
I. L. Messerve, " " " " "	2 63
J. L. Stanton, " " " " "	7 13
Jordan & Saunders, " " " "	8 00
	(\$43 64)

Expended by road commissioner.

Francis Mains,	\$48 78
J. E. Estes,	41 35
A. A. Woodsum,	7 75
J. L. Stanton,	96 95
Jordan & Saunders,	7 00
W. E. Morton,	7 50
E. H. Purington,	28 77
J. C. Goodwin,	43 11
F. H. Waterhouse,	3 75
A. W. Bridge,	6 50
J. L. Keene,	2 50
I. H. Judkins,	256 84
E. L. Charles,	5 00
I. L. Merserve,	1 00
F. O. Mayberry,	75
L. E. Faunce,	71 20
W. B. Stanton,	42 45
L. Stanton,	1 75
Sherman Churchill,	3 75

L. J. Morton,	7 75
E. D. Dudley,	6 80
Poland Paper Co.	86 83
J. W. Penney, Jr.,	45 40
W. W. Tilton,	19 73
A. J. Weston,	251 42
S. C. Spiller,	21 23
E. E. Faunce,	75
David Woodsum,	45
W. W. Gordon,	75
C. O. Russell,	4 00
J. K. Denning,	6 95
E. O. Duran,	23 08
F. P. Wyman,	7 00
W. I. Bishop,	8 25
F. L. Keene,	47 70
E. A. Harris,	3 00
J. F. Sawyer & Son,	5 35
A. D. Weston,	75
G. E. Moore,	3 72
Frank Everett,	4 00
Winslow & Co.,	80 85
Newell Foster,	2 00
D. R. Harris,	8 10
Hawkes & Whitney,	6 66
G. W. Marshall,	6 00
Saunders Bros.,	2 90
W. E. Leach,	6 00
Jerry Berry,	7 50
C. W. Bucknam,	10 00
Arthur Holt,	4 50



M. C. B. Prince,	75
J. S. Spiller,	3 00
Jordan & Saunders,	7 00
Ledger Publishing Co., printing,	6 00
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	\$1,382 87

Expended by selectmen.

Lewis J. Morton, labor,	\$3 90
P. G. & P. C. Cox,	3 00
F. H. Waterhouse, freight, etc.,	6 37
M. C. B. Prince, labor on Barr road,	25 00
A. S. Bray, labor,	6 75
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	\$45 02

Work done in connection with state road, on Jordan road,  
and building culvert.

N. D. Haskell,	\$10 00
E. A. Faunce,	12 00
L. E. Faunce,	22.00
E. H. Purington,	8 25
R. B. Bancroft,	3 00
S. C. Spiller,	6 00
S. F. Grant,	8 25
D. F. Bray,	8 00
W. W. Tilton,	5 25
F. A. Millett,	1 50

Repairs on High St., by selectmen.

L. E. Faunce,	4 00
E. H. Purington,	1 50
E. A. Faunce,	2 00
Geo. F. Millett, repairing bridge.	50
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\$92 25

## Snow Bills.

I. L. Meserve,	\$37 95
Geo. E. Moore,	1 20
W. I. Bishop,	50 90
Sherman Churchill,	7 50
J. F. Sawyer & Son,	1 35
D. M. Rand,	18 20
A. S. Bray,	3 83
B. R. Strout,	18 30
A. A. Sargent,	2 63
Frank Dudley,	2 55
L. E. Faunce,	5 00
C. E. Jordan,	43 15
H. J. Jordan,	45 35
J. N. Nason,	10 00
Saunders Bros.,	50
J. H. King,	50 80
Francis Mains,	3 23
E. K. Holbrook,	90
I. H. Judkins,	31 40
L. J. Morton,	1 45
J. K. Denning,	7 00
W. E. Morton,	9 55
E. O. Duran,	2 00
E. D. Dudley,	4 80
J. L. Stanton,	5 40
Geo. Meggett,	1 05
J. E. Estes,	4 65
J. C. Goodwin,	3 75
Frank O. Mayberry,	4 50

Jordan & Saunders,	16 00
S. N. Haskell,	3 00
A. A. Woodsum,	1 25
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	\$399 14
Amount carried to state road account,	\$287 00

## Recapitulation.

Amount carried to state road account,	\$287 00
Amount expended prior to March 23, '08,	43 64
“ “ by road commissioner,	1,382 87
“ “ “ “ “ snow bills,	399 14
Total amount expended by selectmen,	137 27
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	\$2,249 92
Unexpended,	185 00
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	\$2,434 92

## Snow Roller.

Appropriation,	\$100 00
Deficiency,	30 00
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	\$130 00

### **EXPENDITURES.**

Paid A. A. Gould for roller,	\$130 00
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# Contingent.

Balance unexpended 1907,	\$1,269 20
Overlay,	33 00
Dog licenses refunded,	90 61
Balance for Brown Tail moth account,	87 47
From state for hens killed,	6 00
E. K. Holbrook, dyanamite,	36
C. O. Russell, hay,	2 00
From licenses,	36 00
Furniture sold,	4 50
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	\$1,529 14

## *EXPENDITURES.*

Ledger Publishing Co., reports,	\$82 80
D. S. Perkins, office rent and hall,	30 00
Electric Light Co., office,	8 25
L. J. Morton, cleaning up school yard,	3 00
Jessemine Hayford, clerk hire,	7 25
J. A. Buckman & Co., insurance,	153 00
R. A. Swift, surveying and plan,	12 00
E. A. Hall, guide boards,	13 50
J. F. Sawyer & Son, labor,	1 25
T. J. Judkins and E. F. Smith, erecting guide boards,	8 50
Geo. B. Bearce & Son, posts,	9 60
E. A. Waldron, supplies,	90
Geo. F. Millett, fire inquest and report,	6 35
B. W. Herrick, night watch,	4 00
Fernando Foss, “ “	4 00
L. J. Morton, cleaning dump,	6 98

E. Z. Lane, printing,	50
Frank R. Harmon, labor,	1 50
F. H. Ireland, labor,	3 50
E. Z. Lane and others, election clerks,	8 00
E. A. Hammond and others, election clerks,	8 00
E. F. Smith, paid election clerk,	1 00
M. I. Millett and others, col. book,	12 25
C. W. Farrington, night watch,	20 00
Jordan & Saunders, team, Abbott case,	4 00
“ “ “ “ “	3 00
“ “ Pigeon Hill road,	75
F. H. Waterhouse, expense in Abbott case,	3 00
C. M. Hutchins, reporting birth and deaths,	24 45
Poland Paper Co. Connecting sewer,	24 80
Bertha M. Keene, hens killed by dogs,	6 00
Merrill & Denning, stationary, telephone and books,	25 25
“ “ “ board of health,	7 85
F. H. Waterhouse, expense to Biddeford, Emery case,	5 92
Ledger Publishing Co., advertising and printing,	19 10
A. V. Hathaway, wood, office,	3 75
D. S. Perkins, state election,	15 00
Frank R. Harmon, state election,	2 15
J. G. Tyler, cutting brush,]	3 00
F. A. Millett, office supplies,	12 65
F. L. Waterman, stamps and envelopes,	2 00
Geo. C. Wing, legal advice, etc.,	9 00
W. I. Bishop, roller,	2 00
N. D. Haskell, stone,	5 00
J. W. Story, repairs,	1 25
J. W. Colley, dump,	5 00
D. S. Perkins, office rent, May 1, '09,	30 00
Hawkes & Whitney, office supplies,	1 83



F. H. Waterhouse, postage and tel.,	5 48
A. S. Bray, water tub,	3 00
H. J. Jordan, water tub,	3 00
Millett and Perkins, expense to Brockton,	21 56
W. G. Pulsifer, office book,	10 55
Ledger Publishing Co., printing, board of health,	3 25
A. V. Hathaway, wood,	3 25
Merrill & Denning, chemicals,	2 53
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	\$675 50

## Shoe Factory.

E. Z. Lane, labor,	\$2 45
“ “ “ “	2 00
L. J. Morton, labor,	6 75
J. A. Bucknam & Co., insurance,	45 00
Geo. F. Millett, repair,	1 00
Hawkes & Whitney, supplies,	75
F. P. Wyman, labor by contract,	10 00
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	\$67 95

## Lock-Up Account.

S. H. Mann, wood,	4 50
Hawkes & Whitney, repairs,	75
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	\$5 25
Total expense,	\$748 70
Unexpended,	780 44
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	\$1,529 14



## Public Library.

Unexpended balance,	\$118 63
Appropriation,	200 00
Received from state treasurer,	29 53
Received from fines and lost books,	11 15
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	\$359 31

## *EXPENDITURES.*

Mechanic Falls Electric Light Co.,	\$ 10 83
J. A. Bucknam & Co., Insurance,	15 04
Kate L. Denison, librarian,	50 00
L. D. Simpson,	2 00
A. D. Weston,	4 35
Dodd, Mead & Co.,	35 00
A. V. Hathaway,	7 00
Merrill & Denning,	10
J. Q. Adams,	9 00
Ledger Publishing Co.,	1 75
Loring, Short & Harmon,	71 51
Unexpended,	152 73
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	\$359 31

## Abatements and Commissions.

Appropriation,	\$600 00
Appropriation for deficiency,	521 70
Deficiency,	235 94
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	\$1,357 64

## EXPENDITURES.

Abatements made prior to March 1, 1908,	\$ 75 77
“ for year 1900,	4 13
“ “ “ 1901,	1 12
“ “ “ 1902,	9 79
“ “ “ 1903,	16 28
“ “ “ 1904,	15 76
“ “ “ 1905,	34 43
“ “ “ 1906,	32 96
“ “ “ 1907,	18 16
Overdrawn, 1907,	521 70
Commissions, 1907, not paid,	257 75
Commissions, 1908,	369 79
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	\$1,357 64

It will be seen that if the item above under commissions \$257.75 had been paid in the year the commission accrued there would have been an unexpended balance of \$21.81.

## Note.

Since the report of the overseers of the poor went to the printer there has been paid by the City of Auburn, \$18 25, on the account of J. N. Strout, making the total amount due from other towns \$189 85.

## Interest.

Unexpended 1907,	\$ 17 12
Appropriation,	600 00
Interest on taxes collected by F. E. Dwinal,	158 16
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	\$775 28



## EXPENDITURES.

Paid interest on bonds, Series B,	\$ 70 00
“ “ “ “ “ C,	507 50
“ “ “ temporary bonds,	124 99
Unexpended,	72 79

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\$775 28

It will be seen that there has been a saving of \$66 68 of interest on temporary loans over 1907 which can be accounted for by the early commitment of the taxes to the collector which was in May 1908, which early commitment inured to the further benefit of the town by the early collection of poll taxes.

## Town Agent's Report.

The selectmen have acted as agents of the town and respectfully report that there has been no litigation, but the selectmen incurred some expense and devoted considerable time in preparing a defence in the Abbott case in which the town of Oxford claimed we were liable for the maintenance of Mary A. Abbott. This incident originated before the advent of our administration, but we believe we have convinced the town of Oxford of the futility of further proceedings.

We claim no remuneration for our services.

## Delinquent Taxes.

1899.

Nason, Samuel S.,	\$2 50
Young, Carleton G.,	2 50



1900.

Cole, Phila E.,	56
Dwinal, Fred E.,	37 88
Faunce, Elmer A.,	24 94
Faunce, Perley B.,	3 00
Faunce, Edgar E.,	1 00
Mayberry, Mark L.,	4 01
Poland, James B.,	2 54
Rand, Joseph E.,	2 67
Young, Carlton G.,	3 00

1901.

Buck, Alonzo Z.,	\$3 56
Day, Herman C.,	3 00
Elwell, Howard L.,	6 79
Faunce, Perley B.,	3 00
Grant, Sherman S.,	3 89
Haskell, Herman W.,	5 79
Hanscom, Geo. A.,	3 00
Hasey, James M.,	7 18
Harris, Chas.,	3 00
Keene, Wilfred L.,	3 00
Leach, Anna L.,	89
McCann & True,	2 46
Milliken, Frank W.,	3 00
Mayberry, Mark L.,	4 01
Poland, James B.,	11 27
Pinkham, Rishworth,	3 00
Rand, Joseph E.,	4 78
Ross, Chas. F.,	3 00

Strout, Stephen B.,	4 12
Smith, Walter T.,	3 00
Strout, Joseph F.,	11 92
Stiles, Elmer E.,	3 89
Woodside, Israel R.,	3 00
Wood, William,	3 00
Young, Carlton G.,	3 00

1902.

Benson, Jabez W.,	\$3 00
Bridge, Oliver C.,	6 12
Berry, Jerry,	4 45
Conant, Wm. Q.,	3 00
Clish, James G.,	3 56
Davis, Frank L.,	3 56
Faunce, E. A. & Son.,	25 59
Grant, Sherman S.,	3 00
Gould, W. F.,	3 00
Herrick, Humprey C.,	5 67
Haskell, Herman W.,	5 78
Hawkes, Chas. W.,	3 45
Hanscom, Geo. A.,	3 00
Holt, Edwin,	3 00
Keene, Wilfred L.,	3 00
Leach, Wm. E.,	3 00
Milliken, Frank W.,	3 00
Mayberry, Mark L.,	3 00
Nason, Samuel S.,	3 00
Poland, James B.,	10 51
Roach, Henry W.,	3 67
Ross, Chas. F.,	3 00

Spiller, Silas C.,	3 00
Story, John W.,	4 11
Strout, Samuel D.,	12 23
Sturtevant, Frank,	3 62
Strout, Adelbert,	3 00
Strout, Edwin M.,	3 00
Skillin, J. A.,	3 00
Thurston, John P.,	3 00
Trundy, Virginia,	56
Woodsum, Albion G.,	6 46
Woodside, Israel R.,	3 00
Young, Carlton G.,	3 00

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Dunn, Denny,	3 02
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#### 1903.

Andrews, Alfred C.	\$4 33
Benson, Jabez W.,	3 00
Bridge, Oliver C.,	5 86
Bunker, Ralph S.,	3 00
Bedell, J. O.,	3 51
Berry, Jerry,	4 59
Chute, Herbert W.,	3 00
Cousens, Delmar L.,	3 00
Conant, Wm. Q.,	3 00
Clish, James G.,	3 00
Chase, Horace E.,	3 82
Davis, Frank L.,	3 51
Elie, Chas.,	3 00
Faunce, Elmer A.,	3 41



Faunce, E. A. & Son,	20 81
Grant, Sherman S.,	3 00
Gould, W. F.,	4 53
Garrett, Wm. E.,	3 00
Gower, L. C.	6 26
Holt, Fred A.,	3 00
Haskell, Herman W.,	5 55
Hawkes, Chas. W.,	3 41
Harmon, Walter D.,	3 00
Hanscom, Geo. A.,	3 00
Holt, Edwin C.,	3 00
Harris, Chas.,	3 00
Hancock, Chas. T.,	3 00
Knight, Chas. S.,	3 00
Leach, Wm. E.,	3 00
Maberry, Ella P.,	13 26
Mayberry, Walter M.,	4 22
Marston, Fred L.,	3 00
Milliken, Frank W.,	3 00
Mayberry, Mark L.,	3 00
Martin, Frank A.,	3 00
McKinnon, W. A.,	3 00
McKinnon, Allan,	8 40
Nason, Samuel S.,	3 00
Purington, Ed. H.,	3 00
Pinkham, A. A.,	32
Pinkham, Harry A.,	3 00
Pratt, Ellis L.,	3 00
Ross, Chas. F.,	3 00
Record, Geo. H.,	3 61
Strout, Derome B.,	4 74
Spiller, Silas C.,	3 00

Story, John W.,	3 00
Seal, Howard P.,	3 00
Sawin, Harley F.,	3 00
Strout, Samuel D.,	12 34
Sawyer, J. Herman,	3 00
Strout, Edward H.,	3 00
Strout, Stephen,	3 51
Thurston, John P.,	3 00
Trundy, Virginia,	51
Verrill, Richard E.,	4 53
Woodsum, Albion G.,	1 74
Winchester, W. E.,	3 00
Young, Carleton G.,	3 00

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Elden, John M.,	41
Smith, Samuel V., or unknown,	10 40

1904.

Andrews, Alfred C.,	4 32
Allard, Frank H.,	3 00
Austin, C. H.,	3 00
Bray, Augustus S.,	3 00
Benson, Jabez W.,	3 00
Bunker, Ralph S.,	3 00
Berry, Jerry,	3 81
Burdon, H. F.,	3 00
Boyer, Herbert S.,	1 00
Bryant, A. R.,	3 00
Bedell, Wm. W.,	3 00
Bennett, Frank D.,	3 00
Bumpus, Chas.,	3 00

Chute, Herbert W.,	3 00
Cousens, Delmar L.,	3 00
Conant, Wm. Q.,	3 00
Clough, Ed.,	3 00
Chase, Horace E.,	3 00
Davis, Frank L.,	3 00
Dunlap, Orin C.,	4 02
Dudley, Preston C.,	6 09
Elie, Chas.,	3 00
Faunce, Elmer A.,	3 00
Eaunce, E. A. & Son,	6 79
Eaunce, Lowe E.,	3 00
Grant, Sherman S.,	3 00
Gray, Ellis,	3 00
Gould, W. F.,	3 00
Goodwin, J. Clark,	2 54
Garrett, John A.,	3 00
Holt, Fred A.,	3 00
Herrick, Humphrey C.,	2 79
Haskell, Herman W.,	5 54
Hall, Edgar A.,	3 00
Hawkes, Chas. W.,	3 41
Harmon, Walter D.,	3 00
Hanscom, Geo. A.,	3 00
Harris, Chas.,	3 00
Hopkins, J. Clifford,	3 00
Holt, Arthur,	3 00
Hines, Wm. J.,	3 00
Holt, Edwin C.,	3 00
Jordan, Harry,	3 00
Knight, Chas. S.,	3 00



Keene, F. L.	3 00
Leach, Wm. E.,	3 81
Leach, Walter,	3 00
Millett, Chas. M.,	1 85
Mayberry, Walter M.,	3 00
Marston, Fred L.,	4 52
Milliken, Frank W.,	3 00
Mayberry, Mark L.,	3 41
Martin, Frank A.,	3 00
Mayberry, Frank O.,	3 00
Milliken, Harry M.,	3 00
McCann, Josiah S.,	3 00
Nason, Samuel S.,	3 00
Noyes, J. Q.,	3 00
Poland, James B.,	13 80
Purington, E. H.,	3 00
Pinkham, A. A.,	3 00
Pinkham, Harry A.,	3 00
Poland, John,	3 00
Rowe, Edgar E.,	3 00
Rowe, Solomon M.,	4 02
Rounds, A. L.,	3 00
Scribner, Chas. A.,	3 00
Strout, Derome B.,	4 73
Spiller, Silas C.,	3 00
Story, John W.,	3 00
Seal, Howard P.,	3 00
Sawin, Harley F.,	3 00
Strout, Samuel D.,	7 36
Sawyer, J. Herman,	3 00
Strout, Edward H.,	2 00

Strout, Stephen H.,	3 81
Saunders, Leonard,	3 00
Sumner, Robert,	3 00
Somerset, Wilbert,	3 00
Thurston, John P.,	3 00
Tibbetts, Wm.,	3 00
Verrill, A. P.,	3 51
Winchester, W. E.,	3 00

1905.

Allard, Frank H.,	\$3 00
Austin, C. H.,	3 00
Bray, Augustus S.,	13 31
Benson, Jabez W.,	3 00
Bridge, Oliver C.,	3 00
Bunker, Ralph S.,	3 00
Bedell, J. O.,	4 31
Berry, Jerry,	2 38
Burdon, H. F.,	3 00
Benson, Elie M.,	3 00
Bryant, A. R.,	3 00
Brown, Forest E.,	3 00
Benson, John M.,	3 00
Bennett, Frank D.,	3 00
Conant, Chas. A.,	6 95
Conant, Wm. Q.,	3 00
Chase, H. E.,	3 00
Chute, Herbert W.,	3 00
Cox, Ernest A.,	3 00
Denton, Cyrus G.,	3 00
Fielding, Harry Jr.,	3 00
Faunce, E. A. & Son,	10 88

Faunce, Lowe E.,	3 00
Frost, Frank E.,	3 00
Frazier, Wm. S.,	3 00
Frost, Chas.,	3 44
Faunce, Edgar,	3 00
Grant, Sherman S.,	3 00
Garrett, Edward E.,	3 00
Garrett, John A.,	3 00
Girond, Geo.,	3 00
Herrick, Humphrey C.,	3 67
Haskell, Herman W.,	5 73
Hall, Edgar A.,	3 00
Harmon, Walter D.,	3 00
Hanscom, Geo. A.,	3 00
Harris, Chas.,	3 00
Haskell, Stephen R.,	1 00
Holt, Arthur,	3 00
Hines, Wm. J.,	3 00
Holt, Edwin C.,	3 00
Herrick, Bert W.,	3 00
Hill, Fred W.,	3 00
Hezeltine, Lester,	3 87
Jordan, Harry,	3 00
Keene, F. L.,	3 00
Keniston, N. A.,	3 00
Leach, Wm. E.,	4 85
Lord, Willis A.,	3 44
Leach, Edward C.,	3 00
Leach, Walter D.,	3 00
Linnehan, George,	3 00
Millett, Chas. M.,	4 63



Mayberry, Walter M.,	3 00
Milliken, Frank W.,	3 00
Mayberry, Mark L.,	3 00
Martin, Frank A.,	3 00
Morey, Alexander,	3 00
Mayberry, Frank O.,	3 00
Milliken, Harry M.,	3 00
Morton, Harry C.,	3 00
Moffatt, Wm.,	3 00
Morton, Chas. H.,	3 00
McKeene, Fred C.,	3 00
McKinnon, W. A.,	3 00
McCann, Wm. J.,	8 99
McKinnon, John,	3 00
Noyes, J. G.,	3 00
Poland, James B.,	8 89
Purington, E. H.,	3 00
Pinkham, Harry S.,	3 00
Pinkham, A. A.,	3 00
Pinkham, Harry A.,	3 00
Pratt, Earnest H.,	3 00
Poland, John,	3 00
Perkins, John H.,	3 00
Quance, William,	3 00
Royal, Melvin N.,	5 18
Rand, David E.,	2 84
Rowe, Edgar E.,	3 00
Rowe, Solomon M.,	3 00
Rounds, A. L.,	30
Rosseau, Octave,	5 18
Rand, Leroy D.,	3 00

Ruggles, Bertude,	3 00
Rand, Stephen B.,	3 76
Sawyer, Curtis M.,	65
Scribner, Chas. A.,	3 00
Spiller, Silas C.,	3 00
Seal, Howard P.,	3 00
Sawin, Harley F.,	3 00
Skillin, J. A.,	3 00
Sawyer, J. Herman,	3 00
Strout, Edward H.,	3 00
Strout, Stephen B.,	5 33
Saunders, Leonard,	3 00
Stanton, Lewis G.,	3 00
Strout, Theodore C.	3 00
Strout, Adelbert,	3 00
Stanton, Forest A.,	3 00
Tibbetts, Henry H.,	3 00
Tripp, Lendall,	3 76
Tibbetts, Wm.,	3 00
Thurlow, Wm. P.	3 00
Verrill, A. P.,	3 55
Waycott, Wm.,	3 00
Walker, Garfield,	3 00
White, W. B.,	3 00

NON RESIDENT.

Andrews, Alfred C.,	1 85
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1906.

Allard, Frank H.,	\$3 00
Austin, C. H.,	3 00
Austin, Forest,	3 00

Bailey, Allen,	3 00
Bray, Augustus S.,	12 09
Benson, Jabez W.,	3 00
Bridge, Oliver C.,	3 00
Bunker, Ralph S.,	3 00
Bartlett, Alonzo D.,	3 00
Berry, Jerry,	1 88
Boyer, Herbert S.,	1 00
Bridge, E. W.,	3 00
Brown, Forest E.,	3 00
Benson, John M.,	3 00
Briggs, Chester A.,	3 00
Bryant, Eugene R.,	3 00
Bumpus, Chas. A.,	3 00
Conant, Chas. A.,	7 90
Conant, W. Q.,	3 00
Chandler, H. E.,	3 00
Chase, H. E.,	3 00
Chaplin, Almon,	4 09
Chute, Herbert W.,	3 00
Cox Arthur,	3 00
Cole, F. H.,	3 00
Chase, Lorison W.,	3 00
Davis, Frank L.,	3 00
Denton, Cyrus G.,	3 00
Dudley, Edward D.,	6 52
Dyer, Fred,	3 00
Faunce, Elmer A.,	3 00
Faunce, E. A. & Son,	16 71
Faunce, Lowe E.,	3 00
Faunce, Edgar,	3 00



Fessenden, John W.,	3 00
Frazee, Wm.,	3 00
Grant, Sherman S.,	3 00
Garrett, Edward E.,	3 00
Goodwin, Chas. A.,	3 00
Garrett, John A.,	3 00
Garrett, Benj.,	3 00
Haskell, Herman W.,	6 81
Hall, Edgar A.,	4 31
Hawkes, Chas. W.,	3 44
Hanscom, Geo. A.,	3 00
Haskell, Stephen R.,	3 00
Holt, Arthur.	3 00
Hines, Wm. J.,	3 00
Holmes, H. W.,	3 00
Joyce, Wm. M.,	3 00
Jordan, Harry,	3 00
Knight, Chas. S.,	3 00
Keene, F. L.,	3 00
Keene, Percy H.,	3 00
Knight, Geo. S.,	3 00
Kilbreth, Leslie,	3 00
Kane, F. J.,	3 00
Leach, Wm. E.,	3 00
Leach, Edward C.,	3 44
Leach, Walter D.,	3 00
Lancaster, Wallace,	3 00
Millett, Chas. M.,	4 63
Mayberry, Walter M.,	3 00
Marston, Fred L.,	3 00
Milliken, Frank W.,	3 00
Morris, Albert E.,	3 00
Mayberry, Frank O.	3 00

Mason, Chas. H.,	4 85
Merrill, Harry A.,	3 00
Milliken, Harry M.,	3 00
Morton, Harry C.,	3 00
Morton, Chas. H.,	3 00
McKinnon, John,	3 00
McDonald, Angus,	3 00
Murray, Jacob,	3 00
Miller, H. B.,	3 00
McKeen, Fred C.,	3 00
Nason, Samuel S.,	3 00
Noyes, J. G.	3 00
Poland, James B.,	9 29
Purington, E. H.,	3 00
Pinkham, Harry S.,	3 00
Pinkham, A. A.,	3 00
Pinkham, Harry A.,	3 00
Pratt, Ernest H.,	3 00
Poland, John,	3 00
Pierce, Everett M.,	3 00
Royal, Melvin N.,	6 05
Rand, David E.,	4 09
Reynolds, John,	3 00
Raymond, Carol G.,	3 00
Rowe, Edgar E.,	3 00
Rounds, A. L.,	3 00
Rowe, Lendall W.,	3 00
Rodick, Fred,	1 00
Sawyer, James F.,	3 71
Sawyer, Curtis M.,	3 00
Scribner, Chas. A.,	3 00
Spiller, Silas,	3 00

Seal, Howard P.,	3 00
Sawin, Harley F.,	3 00
Skillin, J. A.,	3 00
Sawyer, J. Herman,	3 00
Scully, P. H.,	3 00
Strout, Adelbert,	3 00
Strout, Stephen B.,	5 18
Stanton, Lewis G.,	3 00
Somerset Wilbert,	3 00
Schlag, Geo. J.,	3 00
Small, Wm. K.,	3 00
Sylvester, John F.,	3 00
Stevens, A. French,	3 00
Strout, Edward H.,	3 00
Thomas, John F.,	3 00
Thurston, John P.,	3 00
Tripp, Lendall,	3 00
Teague, James H., Jr.,	3 00
Taylor, Alfred B.,	3 00
Thurlow, Wm. P.,	3 00
Tilton, Ira A.,	3 00
Turple, James,	3 00
Tilton, Winfield.	3 00
Tibbetts, H. H.,	3 00
Verrill, A. P.,	3 55
Wyman, C. H.,	3 48

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Morrill, A. L.,	1 31
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1907.

Allard, Frank H.,	3 00
Arris, Albert B.,	3 00



Bray, A. S.,	12 18
Benson, Jabez W.,	3 00
Bunker, Ralph S.,	3 00
Bartlett, Alonzo D.,	3 00
Berry, Jerry,	3 42
Boyer, Herbert S.,	3 00
Bedell, Wm. W.,	3 00
Benson, John M.,	3 00
Braizer, Chas.,	3 00
Bumpus, Harold,	3 00
Bryant, A. R.,	3 00
Brand, James,	3 00
Cole, C. Gaveston,	3 00
Conant, Chas. A.,	9 09
Currier, Alba W.,	3 00
Chase, H. F.,	3 00
Corbett, Fred M.,	4 37
Chaplin, Almon,	3 74
Churchill, Sherman,	6 17
Chute, Herbert W.,	3 00
Cole, F. H.,	3 00
Chase, Walter S.,	3 00
Crawford, George W.,	3 00
Conant, C. Leo,	3 00
Churchill, Arthur E.,	3 00
Davis, Frank L.	3 00
Denton, Cyrus G.,	3 00
Dudley, E. D.,	6 00
Faunce, Elmer A.,	3 00
Faunce, Lowe E.,	3 00
Fish, Jotham S.,	3 00

Faunce, Edgar,	3 00
Fessenden, John W.,	3 00
Frye, Chas. H.,	3 00
Faunce, Perley B.,	3 00
Grant, Sherman S.,	3 00
Garrett, Wm.,	3 00
Gould, Winfield A.,	4 50
Goodwin, J. Clark,	74
Garrett, Edward E.,	3 00
Goodwin, Chas. A.,	3 00
Garrett, John A.,	3 00
Garrett, Benj.,	3 00
Gallagher, Hugh,	3 00
Harris, Simeon L.	3 00
Hall, Edgar A.,	3 53
Harlow, A. E.,	3 00
Hanscom, Geo. A.,	3 00
Haskell, Stephen R.,	3 00
Holt, Arthur,	3 00
Hovey, A. R.,	3 00
Hanley, James,	3 00
Hatch, Millard,	3 00
Jordan, Samuel D.,	3 00
Knight, Chas. S.,	3 00
Keene, F. L.,	3 00
Leach, Wm. E.,	3 00
Leach, Walter D.,	3 00
Lewis, W. E.,	3 00
Lesco, Joseph,	3 00
Millett, Chas. M.,	4 58
Mayberry, Walter M.,	3 00

Mayberry, Eugene M.,	3 00
Milliken, Frank W.,	3 00
Mayberry, Frank O.,	3 00
Mason, Chas. H.,	5 63
Merrill, Harry A.,	3 00
Milliken, Harry M.,	3 00
Morton, Harry C.,	3 00
Meggett, Frank,	3 00
McKeen, Fred C.,	3 00
Nason, Samuel S.,	3 00
Noyes, J. G.,	3 00
Prince, Arvilla,	1 79
Purington, E. H.,	3 00
Pinkham, Harry S.,	3 00
Penney, Harvey,	3 00
Pratt, Ernest H.,	3 00
Poland, John,	3 00
Powers, John F.,	3 00
Royal, Melvin N.,	9 09
Ruggles, A. H.,	3 00
Raymond, Carrol G.,	3 00
Rodick, Fred,	3 00
Rand, Leroy D.,	3 00
Reeves, Rev. F. H.,	3 00
Sawyer, Curtis M.,	3 00
Scribner, Chas. A.,	3 00
Spiller, Silas C.,	3 00
Seal, Howard P.,	3 00
Sawin, Harley F.,	3 00
Skillin, J. A.,	3 00
Sawyer, J. Herman,	3 00



Scully, P. H.,	3 00
Strout, Stephen B.,	4 58
Strout, Adelbert,	3 00
Schlag, Geo. J.,	3 00
Strout, Joseph N.,	3 00
Small, Wm. K.,	3 00
Strout, Edward H.,	3 00
Strout, Harold,	3 00
Shanahan, E.,	3 00
Thurston, John P.,	3 00
Teague, James H., Jr.,	3 00
Tilton, Ira A.,	3 00
Tilton, Winfield W.,	3 00
Thurlow, Walter,	3 00
Thompson, Wm.,	3 00
Thomas, James,	3 00
Tripp, Lendell,	3 00
Verrill, A. P.,	3 53
Woodsum, A. G.,	3 53
Walker, Geo. E.,	5 10
Watt, S. M.,	3 00
Walker, Elmer,	3 00

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Rand, David E.,	1 05
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1908.

Arris, A. B.,	3 00
Austin, Forest A.,	6 45
Bray, Augustus, S.,	16 04
Benson, J. W.,	3 00
Bunker, R. S.,	3 00

Bartlett, A. D.,	3 00
Boyer, H. S.,	3 00
Brazier, Chas.,	3 00
Bumpus, Harold,	3 00
Bryant, A. R.,	3 00
Brazier, Arthur W.,	3 00
Currier, A. W.,	3 00
Churchill, Sherman,	1 70
Chute, H. W.,	3 00
Chase, Walter S.,	3 00
Cox, R. G.,	3 00
Campbell, C. W.,	58
Cox, P. C.,	3 00
Cushman, Chas.,	3 00
Conant, Chas. A.,	3 00
Curran, A. G.,	3 00
Crosby, Chas.,	3 00
Dudley, E. D.,	7 69
Edwards, W. H.,	58
Elie, Chas.,	3 00
Faunce, Perley B.,	3 00
Frye, Chas., H.,	3 00
Frazee, W. T.,	3 00
Grant, Sherman S.,	3 00
Goodwin J. Clark,	81
Garrett, Edward E.,	3 00
Goss, Orville,	3 00
Gallagher, Hugh,	3 00
Hall, Edgar A.,	3 92
Hawkes, C. W.,	3 00
Hanscom, Geo. A.,	3 00

Holt, Arthur,	3 00
Hovey, A. R.,	3 00
Hooper, John A.,	3 00
Howe, Harry H.,	3 00
Hazelton, Walter,	3 00
Judkins, T. J.,	3 00
Knight, C. S.,	3 00
Keene, F. L.,	3 00
Leach, W. E.,	3 00
Leach, Walter D.,	3 00
Mayberry, Walter M.,	3 00
Mayberry, Eugene M.	3 00
Meggett, R. W.,	3 00
Milliken, Frank W.,	3 00
Milliken, Harry M.,	3 00
Mayberry, Frank O.,	3 00
Morse, Robert D.,	3 00
Mason, Chas., H.,	3 00
Merrill, Harry A.,	3 00
Marshall, Geo. W.,	3 97
Merrill, Thos., O.,	3 00
McIntire, Roy P.,	3 00
McIntire, J. C.,	5 30
McIntire, Belle L.,	20 70
Millett, Linneus,	3 00
Nason, Samuel S.,	3 00
Prince, Arvilla,	53
Purington, H. E.,	3 00
Pynn, C. T.,	3 00
Penney, Harvey,	3 00
Pratt, Ernest H.,	3 00
Parker, Almon,	3 00
Parker, Rufus,	3 00



Royal, M. N.,	8 75
Rand, D. M.,	9 28
Raymond, Carrol D.,	3 00
Rounds, A. L.,	58
Royal, A. M.,	3 00
Strout, W. S.	4 73
Spiller, Silas C.,	3 00
Strout, Hiram,	1 15
Skillin, J. A.,	3 00
Sawyer, J. Herman,	3 00
Scully, P. H.,	3 58
Strout, Benj. R.,	3 92
Strout Stephen B.,	3 92
Strout, Adelbert,	3 00
Schlag, Geo. J.,	3 00
Strout, Alice M.,	6 53
Strout, Edward H.,	3 00
Spiller, Fred L.,	3 53
Strout, Ralph C.,	3 00
Sawyer, Carroll M.,	3 00
Staples, Arthur,	3 00
Thurston, John P.,	3 00
Thurlow, Amos F.,	3 00
Teague, J. H.,	3 53
Teague, J. H., Jr.,	3 00
Taylor, David, S.,	3 00
Thomas, James,	3 00
Thomas, Alonzo,	3 00
Tripp, Albert,	3 00
Taylor, Frank,	3 00
Walker, Geo. E.,	4 73

NON-RESIDENT.

Denton, Cyrus G.,	1 73
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## Table of Comparitive Appropriations, Receipts, Expenditures and Balances.

	1	2	3	4	5
Common Schools.	\$2,400.00	\$3,936.39	\$3,147.50	\$	\$788.89
High School.	850.00	975.00	1,175.40	200.40	
Support of Poor.	1,500.00	1,841.75	1,764.21		77.54
Poor of Other Towns.		697.12	905.22	208.10	
State Road.	143.50	994.95	994.95		
Officers' Salaries.	700.00	763.00	618.00		145.00
Memorial Day.	50.00		50.00		
Hydrant Rental.	1,680.00		1,680.00		
Street Lights.	1,640.04		1,644.98	4.94	
High School Graduation.	25.00		25.00		
State Tax.	2,587.60		2,587.60		
County Tax.	981.02		981.02		
School Repairs.	300.00	395.53	696.99	301.46	
School Furnishings.	200.00	213.97	44.32		69.65
Text Books.	50.00	306.07			58.35
Incidentals.				46.93	
Contingent.		1,269.20			780.44
Highway.	2,000.00	2,434.92	2,249.92		185.00
Fire Department.	600.00		550.63		49.37
Snow Roller.	100.00		130.00	30.00	
Abatements and Commis.	600.00	1,121.70	1,357.64	235.94	
Public Library.	200.00	359.31	206.58		152.73
Interest.	600.00	775.28	702.49		72.79
Sinking Fund.	700.00		700.00		

Explanation. Column No. 1, Appropriations; No. 2, Appropriations and Available Receipts; No. 3, Expenditures; No. 4, Overdrawn; No. 5, Unexpended.

## Vital Statistics.

	Deaths.	Births.	Marriages.
Previously reported	359	272	451
March 1, '08, to March 1, '09,	29	24	21



# Financial Standing.

## LIABILITIES.

Outstanding town orders,	\$ 123 00
Outstanding bonds, Series B,	2,000 00
Outstanding bonds, Series C,	14,500 00
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	\$16,623 00

## RESOURCES.

Cash in treasury,	\$3,545 32
Sinking fund,	3,226 90
Due from Rumford,	5 75
Oxford,	7 00
Raymond,	10 67
Auburn,	44 39
Biddeford,	51 93
Paris,	70 11
F. E. Dwinal, Col. taxes, 1900,	84 73
" " " " " 1901,	107 88
" " " " " 1902,	217 65
" " " " " 1903,	292 14
" " " " " 1904,	461 49
" " " " " 1905,	504 04
" " " " " 1906,	773 67
" " " " " 1907,	812 52
" " " " " 1908,	722 74
Tax deeds, Minot (worthless),	75 73



Tax deeds, Mechanic Falls,	1,379 97
State, high school account,	125 00

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\$12,519 63

Balance against town,	4,103 37
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\$16,623 00

## Recommendations.

Common schools,	\$1,500 00
Free high school,	850 00
Support of poor,	1,500 00
Roads and bridges,	2,100 00
Sinking fund,	700 00
Interest,	600 00
Officers' salaries,	550 00
Abatements and commissions,	700 00
Hydrant rental,	1,680 00
Electric lights,	1,650 00
Contingent,	400 00
Fire department,	600 00
Public library,	200 00
Memorial day,	50 00
Text books,	50 00
Incidentals,	50 00
Apparatus and furnishing,	200 00
Repairs on school houses,	400 00
State road,	139 00
Graduation expense,	25 00

In considering the trust committed to us by you for the year ending Feb. 27, 1909, it is our hope you will have no cause of regret for the confidence you bestowed upon us in selecting us to transact the business of the town. In taking up the business at the commencement of the fiscal year, we found an almost depleted treasury and we are happy to deliver over to our successors a budget of \$3, 545 32, which is the largest balance shown at the end of the year in the history of the town with one exception.

At this time we wish to thank the citizens of our town for their kindness and good wishes while acting as their servants and shall treasure the many expressions of approval of our work as more valuable than silver or gold.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK A. MILLETT,  
FRED H. WATERHOUSE,  
ERNEST F. SMITH,

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor.

I have examined the accounts, and vouchers of the selectmen and found them to be correct.

E. Z. LANE, Auditor.

## Librarian's Report.

Judging from the patronage the library has received during the year, 1908 has certainly been a prosperous one. The number of borrowers added is 57, making a total of 1434. The average circulation is about the same. The library contains over 2000 volumes but many of the books are not in condition for circulation and have been taken from the shelves and there are many others, especially in the children's department, that will have to go out of circulation.



The usual number of state and government reports have been received. The dictionary which has been in the library for several years has been exchanged for a recent edition of Webster's Unabridged. We wish to thank Mr. F. A. Millett for Collier's Weekly and Rev. D. A. Ball for the Literary Digest, also the Mechanic Falls Study Club for several bound volumes of the Bay View Magazine, which are of unusual interest. A typographical map of the Poland Quadrangle has been presented by Mr. Fred Perkins.

A bequest of \$500.00 has been left to the library by Mrs. Witt, a former resident of this place.

We would recommend that some disposal be made of the books out of circulation. There is much work needed to be done in the library and we hope before many weeks that the shelves may present a more attractive appearance.

Respectfully submitted,

KATE L. DENISON, Librarian.

## Treasurer's Report.

C. M. Hutchins, Treasurer, in account with the Town of Mechanic Falls.

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To balance on hand March 1, 1908,	\$ 424 89
State, account free high school,	125 00
“ “ Mill tax,	1,463 32
“ “ Public library,	29 53
“ “ State pensions,	396 00
“ “ Paupers,	84 15
“ “ Burial Soldiers,	35 00



“ “ Dog licenses refunded,	90 61
“ “ State road,	430 50
“ “ Hens killed,	6 00
Temporary loans,	4,000 00
Town clerk for dog licenses,	143 00
Town of Otisfield,	108 55
“ “ Poland,	6 39
“ “ Rumford,	203 39
“ “ East Machias,	153 83
“ “ Raymond,	183 45
“ “ Leeds,	1 15
City of Biddeford,	17 61
City of Auburn,	26 00
Estate Mary Lufkin,	141 03
W. E. Churchill,	19 10
Alonzo Thomas,	5 00
Public library, fines collected,	11 15
Licenses,	36 00
Furniture sold,	4 50
Hay sold,	2 00
E. K. Holbrook,	36
Geo. D. Trundy, pipe,	1 28
Award to J. G. Tyler, ((retained	150 00
F. E. Dwinal, Collector, account of tax, 1899,	3 58
“ “ “ “ “ “ 1900,	22 45
“ “ “ “ “ “ 1901,	29 42
“ “ “ “ “ “ 1902,	85 92
“ “ “ “ “ “ 1903,	112 18
“ “ “ “ “ “ 1904,	139 35
“ “ “ “ “ “ 1905,	492 06
“ “ “ “ “ “ 1906,	640 36

"	"	"	"	"	"	1907,	702 15
"	"	"	"	"	"	1908,	19,115 39
"	"	"	Interest on unpaid taxes,				158 16
Tax deeds, etc.,							687 77
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							\$30,487 48

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By paid town orders,	\$26,403 16
Paid state pensions,	396 00
Paid state treasurer, dog licenses,	143 00
Balance on hand March 1, 1909,	3,545 32
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	\$30,487 48

I have examined the accounts, vouchers and cash of the treasurer, C. M. Hutchins, and found them to be correct.

E. Z. LANE, Auditor.



## IN MEMORIAM.

Date of Dth.	Name.	Place of Dth.	—Age—			Mar. or Sin.
			Yrs.	Mos.	Days.	
Mch. 24, '08	Phyllis Thel. Wescott.	Mechanic Falls.		9	13	Single.
" "	Aranda G. Tinkham.		84	6	5	Widower.
Apr. 2,	Fannie M. Bartlett.		64	7	14	Widow.
" 15,	Mary J. Curtis.		75	2	2	"
" 29,	William H. Woodsum		43	8	7	Divorced.
June 17,	Mary A. Millett.		89	11	14	Widow.
Aug. 15,	William M. Mitchell.		54	10	14	Married.
" 19,	Rebecca J. Peterson.		83	4	17	Widow.
Sept. 8,	Samuel H. Noble.		71	2	23	Widower.
" 14,	William H. Edwards.		60	1	29	Married.
" 15,	Inf. of Geo. Hanscom.					Single.
Oct. 10,	Mary W. Cotton.		68	7	13	Married.
" 28,	Charlotte H. Smith.		89	10	6	Widow.
Nov. 3,	Lorenzo D. King.		77	11	25	Married.
Dec. 22,	Vernett V. Austin.		44	4	8	"
Jan. 23, '09	Lovina Chipman.		68	6	1	"
Feb. 23,	Rebecca F. Herrick.		60	5	21	"
" 28,	Bertha May Hanscom		9	11		Single.

### Died in other Towns and States and buried in Mechanic Falls.

Dec. 13, '07.	Silas M. Locke.	Lewiston.	72	11	13	Married.
Aug. 16, '08.	Wm. F. Milliken.	Augusta.	53	9	12	"
" 20,	John D. Holt.	Berlin, N. H.	61		5	"
Sep. 19,	Mercy E. Hinckley.	Standish.	62	1	25	"
Nov. 16,	Elizabeth B. Harris.	New York City.	87	8	12	Widow.
" 25,	Ida M. Perham.	Braintree, Mass.	49	9	20	Divorced.
" 30,	H. Maria Gleason.	Hartford.	75		6	Widow.
Jan. 8, '09.	Silas E. Davis.	Poland.	50	3	21	Widower.
" 27,	Nancy Doe.	Auburn.	79			Widow.
Feb. 13,	Charles H. Milliken.	Portland.	50	8	21	Married.
" 26,	Esther M. Piper.	Minot.	73	10	23	"



## Superintendent's Report.

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To the Town of Mechanic Falls;

Our schools for the year past, have sustained their usual good work. Our High school has recently sent out to the Colleges several students all of whom are taking and maintaining exceptionally good rank and standing in the several institutions to which they have gone. This is a source of gratification to all our citizens, and should furnish to the under-graduates an additional incentive to persevere in educational work, not alone for their individual advantage, but also to sustain and advance the reputation of the school. We notice that some of our neighboring High schools have adopted the idea of dispensing with the graduating exercises, and substituting therefor a trip to Washington. While we do not undervalue the advantages of travel, we nevertheless feel to stand for the *old-fashioned* method of closing the school year. Most of the pupils who complete the course of study in our high school will have but *one* opportunity to graduate, while they have a whole lifetime before them in which to make the trip to Washington. Comparatively few pupils can conveniently afford the expense of the trip at this period of their educational experience, and besides, the omission of the graduation exercises takes away from the citizens and parents one of the most enjoyable occasions of the school year. These exercises are always well attended and highly appreciated by all citizens of the town, and furnish one of the most powerful influences for maintaining the general interest in our schools. Let us have the trip to Washington, if convenient, but let us not throw over the graduation exercises. By means of a re-arrangement of the lower grades, your school committee has been able to diminish the teaching force by one,

and have thus made it possible to slightly increase the compensation of the remaining teachers, without diminishing the efficiency of the instruction, or increasing the total expense to the town.

Your committee has during the year made necessary repairs upon the high school building, erected a fire escape upon the Water street building, and made changes in the heating apparatus which have resulted in great benefit in the heating efficiency, and a saving of fuel. A new departure has been taken in the matter of janitor service. The janitors now open the houses at an early hour in the morning, and remain in charge of the houses and school property therein until the arrival of the teachers, and also remain in charge during the noon hour. This arrangement has done away with the occasion of complaints which have been made in the past, because scholars were not permitted to enter the houses at all hours.

## ***HIGH SCHOOL.***

At the end of the summer term of last year, Prof. Graffam who had been principal of the high school for four years, and who had greatly endeared himself to all our people, obtained a more lucrative position, and Mr. Burton H. Whitman was secured to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Graffam.

Mr. Whitman has proved himself a competent, careful and pains-taking instructor and disciplinarian, and the school under his charge is in a very satisfactory condition. The position of assistant in this school, since the beginning of the fall term, has been held by Miss Ethel Bradford, who has fulfilled the duties of that place with gratifying success and to the entire satisfaction of the school board.



## **GRAMMAR SCHOOL.**

From the beginning of the school year Miss Lola D. Smith has been in charge of this school, with Miss Ethel Howe as assistant. Miss Smith is an able and experienced teacher and her work has been excellently and faithfully done.

This is Miss Howe's second year in the capacity of assistant in this school. She is a conscientious and competent teacher, and her services have been deservedly successful.

## **INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.**

Miss Edith G. Cross followed Mr. Thos. W. Prince as principal of this department. The high standard of this school has been fully sustained by Miss Cross, and every reasonable expectation of the school-board has been realized in the successful management of this school. We feel confident that a visit to the school will verify our conclusion. Miss Evis Bridge has been for several years last past the assistant, and has continued her usual faithful service.

## **WATER STREET PRIMARY.**

This school has been under the sole charge of Mrs. Sadie Bray this year, and it is not exaggeration to say that her work has been highly satisfactory in every way, and that the school is in excellent condition.

## **ELM STREET PRIMARY.**

Miss Inez Martin has continued in charge of this school which comprises the first and second grades. She has looked diligently and carefully after the young people under her care, and has faithfully performed the exacting duties of her position.



## SUMMARY.

### HIGH SCHOOL.

Graduated last year,		8
Graduated this year,		4
	Largest Attendance.	Average Attendance.
Spring term, '08,	48	42
Fall term, '08,	55	45
Winter term, '08 and '09,	50	44

### GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Spring term, '08,	61	53
Fall term, '08,	62	56
Winter term, '08 and '09,	58	52

### INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.

Spring term, '08,	96	80
Fall term, '08,	66	59
Winter term, '08 and '09,	65	53

### WATER STREET PRIMARY.

Spring term, '08,	43	38
Fall term, '08,	53	47
Winter term, '08 and '09,	52	40

### ELM STREET PRIMARY.

Spring term, '08,	27	21
Fall term, '08,	52	45
Winter term, '08 and '09,	44	33

Average attendance in the common schools,	192
Average attendance in the high school,	44
Average attendance in all schools,	236
Number of terms in school year,	3
Number of weeks in each term,	12
Highest weekly wages of teachers in common schools,	\$11 00
Lowest weekly wages of teachers in common schools,	\$7 00
Average weekly wages of teachers in common schools,	\$8 95
Monthly salary of principal of high school,	\$83 33
Monthly salary of assistant in high school,	\$44 00
Average cost of transporting scholars per week,	\$16 00
Average cost of janitor service per week,	\$9 00

Flags have been provided for each of school houses, as required by law, and suitable poles have been erected in each school-yard upon which to raise them. The schools have participated in the observance of Flag Day, and also Lincoln's birthday. The exercises upon these occasions were held under the auspices of the Women's Relief Corps of A. A. Dwinal Post, G. A. R., and were both interesting and instructive, and were highly creditable to participants. The inspiration derived from these patriotic services will be a beneficial and lasting influence upon the schools.

The questions of sanitation and better ventilation are yet to be dealt with, and from the present outlook it would seem that the matter of providing ideal sanitary conditions for our schoolhouses will have to be postponed until the town is disposed to take up and solve the question of a sewer system, or grant a larger appropriation for this special purpose.

I desire to express my grateful acknowledgements to the  
Superintending School Committee for their faithful and con-  
stant labors in the interest of the educational concerns of the  
town.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. LIBBY,

Superintendent of Schools.



# Warrant for Town Meeting.

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*To F. Edwin Dwinal, a constable of the town of Mechanic Falls, in the County of Androscoggin and State of Maine.*

## GREETING:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town of Mechanic Falls, qualified as the constitution requires to assemble at Perkins Hall, in said town, on Monday, the fifteenth day of March, 1909, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:

ART. 1 To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2 To choose a town clerk for the ensuing year.

ART. 3. To act on the report of the town officers.

ART. 4. To choose a board of selectmen, assessors, overseers of the poor, a town treasurer, town agent, member of school committee, one trustee of public library, a truant officer a road commissioner, and all other necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

ART. 5. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for support of common schools for the ensuing year.

ART. 6. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the support of a free high school for the ensuing year.

ART. 7. To see what sum of money the town will vote to expend for a free high school for the ensuing year.

ART. 8. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the repair of highways and bridges for the ensuing year.

ART. 9. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the support of the poor for the ensuing year.

ART. 10. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the contingent fund for the ensuing year.

ART. 11. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for town officers' salaries for the ensuing year.

ART. 12. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the sinking fund for the ensuing year.

ART. 13. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the payment of interest for the ensuing year.

ART. 14. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for abatements and collector's commissions for the ensuing year.

ART. 15. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the observance of Memorial Day for the ensuing year.



ART. 16. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for lighting streets for the ensuing year.

ART. 17. To see if the town will grant and raise the sum of \$1,680 00 for hydrant rental for the ensuing year.

ART. 18. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the support of the fire department and for the purchase of hose for the ensuing year.

ART. 19. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the support of the public library and the purchase of books for the ensuing year.

ART. 20. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the purchase of text-books, apparatus, furnishings and incidentals for schools for the ensuing year.

ART. 21. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the repair of school houses for the ensuing year.

ART. 22. To see if the town will grant and raise the sum of twenty-five dollars to defray the expense of graduating exercises of the high school for the ensuing year.

ART. 23. To see if the town will vote to determine the time when the commitment of taxes shall be made and at what time taxes shall be payable and that interest shall be collected from and after such time.

ART. 24. To see if the town will agree on an abatement to those who voluntarily pay their taxes to the collector or treasurer at certain periods and the time within which they shall be so entitled.

ART. 25. To choose a collector of taxes and fix his compensation.



ART. 26. To see if the town will authorize the town treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges.

ART. 27. To see if the town will vote yes or no upon the adoption of the provisions of Chapter 112 of the Public Laws of Maine, for the year 1907 relating to the appropriation of money necessary to entitle the town to state aid for highways for the year 1909.

ART. 28. To see if the town will raise, appropriate and set apart for the permanent improvement of the main highways within the town, such sum of money as is contemplated and directed by Section 5 of Chapter 112 of the Public Laws of Maine for the year 1907, being the sum of \$139 00.

ART. 29. To see if the town will vote to purchase a Roller for breaking winter roads, and appropriate money for that purpose.

ART. 30. To see if the town will vote to renew its contract with the Mechanic Falls Electric Light Company for lighting streets and the time said contract shall expire.

ART. 31. To see if the town will instruct the road commissioner and selectmen to provide for a more extended use of gravel on the highways and if necessary raise money therefor.

ART. 32. To see if the town will vote to provide for the construction of permanent sidewalks and if necessary raise money therefor.

ART. 33. To see if the town will vote to take action to protect the trees and forests from moth pests and raise money therefor.

ART. 34. To see if the town will vote to take such action as will cause the sides of the highways to be kept free from bushes and rocks.

ART. 35. To see if the town will vote to authorize its superintending school committee to join with any other town or towns for the purpose of employing a superintendent of schools in accordance with the provisions of Sections 40 to 45 inclusive of Chap. 15 of the Revised Statutes.

ART. 36. To see if the town will vote to accept the change of location of that part of the Pigeon Hill road between the residences of J. G. Tyler and J. C. McIntyre as laid out by the selectmen over the land of said J. G. Tyler, said laying out being filed with the town clerk, and if necessary raise money therefor.

ART. 37. To see if the town will vote to execute a quit-claim deed in behalf of the town, releasing its rights in and to real estate held by it by tax deed, upon payment of taxes, interest and costs.

ART. 38. To see what action the town will take relative to a revaluation of the real estate and create a commission therefor and raise a sufficient sum for the payment of the same.

ART. 39. To see if the town will grant and raise the sum of \$75.38 to liquidate the deficiency in high school account; the sum of \$301.46 to liquidate the deficiency in school repairs account; the sum of \$46.93 to liquidate the deficiency in school incidentals account; the sum of \$30.00 to liquidate the deficiency in snow roller account; the sum of \$235.94 to liquidate the deficiency in commissions and abatement account.

ART. 40. To see what action the town will take relative to the building of a vault for the safe keeping of its books and records, as required by law, and also what sum of money it will grant and raise therefor.



ART. 41. To see if the town will instruct the selectmen to lease the shoe factory for a term of ten years.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and have you there this warrant with your doings thereon.

The selectmen will be in session at the selectmen's office on the 15th day of March at eight o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of correcting the list of voters.

Dated at Mechanic Falls, the sixth day of March A. D. 1909.

FRANK A. MILLETT,  
FRED H. WATERHOUSE,  
ERNEST F. SMITH,

Selectmen of Mechanic Falls.



# Trustees' Report.

The Trustees of the Mechanic Falls Public Library are pleased to report that a bequest of five hundred dollars has recently been received. This benefaction comes from Mrs. Hannah Witt, late of Bridgeport, Conn., who was a former old-time resident of this place. This bequest made in and by her last will and testament is on condition that the sum shall be put at interest, and the income thereof be expended yearly for the purchase of books for the library. The donor has done a gracious deed, and our citizens can but gratefully appreciate the same. Mrs. Witt claimed to have been the first female child born upon the territory now included within the limits of the town of Mechanic Falls. Her maiden name was Hannah Marshall, and she has several kins-folk living in the town and vicinity. She has donated to a good cause, and may her generous act prove an example to be followed by other friends of our community.

C. B. RANKIN,  
W. E. HANSCOM,  
J. M. LIBBY,

Trustees.